management through use of computers in the Postal Stores Depots and establishment of VSAT network for expediting transmission of data and money orders.

(iii) Improvement of infrastructure facilities through renovation of RMS vans, construction of new vans with air brakes, replacement of Mail Motor Service vehicles, as also arranging training for skill upgradation and refresher courses for staff and officers by upgrading departmental training centres and outside support.

(iv) A programme for modernisation of Post Offices has been implemented during 8th Five Year Plan for optimising the benefits of computerised counters and the front office and upgrading the work environment in selected important Post offices.

Children Films

5460. SHRI RAMASHRAYA PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the number of children films produced by the National Films Development Corporation during each of the last three years, upto August 31, 1996.

(b) whether National Films Development Corporation produced films in only one language;

(c) if so, whether the Government propose to produce children films in regional languages; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c) The National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) does not produce children's films. The Corporation however, produces feature films in various regional languages. Children's films are produced by the National Centre of Films for Children and Young People (N'CYP). N'CYP produces children's films in Hindi and other regional languages.

(d) Does not arise.

[English]

STD/ISD/PCO Booths

5461. SHRI NAMDEO DIWATHE :
SHRI JAGATVIR SINGH DRONA :
SHRI ANANTH KUMAR :
SHRI GIRDHARI YADAV :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of STD/ISD/PCO booths functioning in the country, State-Wise;

(b) the number of applications received for allotment of booths during each of the last three years and the number out of these cleared, State-wise, year-wise;

(c) the number of applications lying pending for allotment of such booths, State-wise;

(d) the time by which these are likely to be cleared;

(e) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that such booths are being operated by non-licensed holders and additional amount is being charged by them; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and action taken by the Government against such operators ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) The information is given in the statement attached.

(b) to (f) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATUS OF STD/PCOs AS ON 31.7.1996

Sl. No.	Name of State/Circle	STD/PCOs
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	46
2.	Andhra Pradesh	7945
3.	Assam	1715
4.	Bihar	4093
5.	Gujarat	11507
6.	Haryana	3085
7.	Himachal Pradesh	575
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	567
9.	Karnataka	8119
10.	Kerala	8777
11.	Madhya Pradesh	9231
12.	Maharashtra (including Goa)	20294
13.	North Eastern (Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Tripura, Meghalaya and Mizoram)	628
14.	Orissa	2222
15.	Punjab	9713
16.	Rajasthan	7212
17.	Tamil Nadu	10676
18.	Uttar Pradesh	13412
19.	West Bengal (including Sikkim)	6790
20.	Delhi	5625